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Rudolph Soldier Dies in Japanese Prisoner Camp



Pvt. Elmer F. Blonien

Parents of Pvt. Elmer Blonien Receive Depressing News Today

Word was received today by Mr. and Mrs. John Blonien, Rudolph, of the death of their son, Pvt. Elmer F. Blonien, in a Japanese war prisoners' camp in the Philippines.

Private Blonien was the second Wood County soldier known to have perished while a prisoner of war in the hands of the Japanese, word having been received in June of the death of Pvt. Donald C. Gehl of Marshfield, who was also a prisoner.

The telegram sent to Mr. and Mrs. Blonien by the War Department today indicated that the information regarding their son's fate was obtained through the International Red Cross.

Pvt. Blonien was a member of the medical detachment of the 192nd Tank Battalion, which was

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